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Work and Workers.

The Logia is arousing a large public interest in the importance of archæological research. This is seen in the demands of our popular magazines for a description of this unique manuscript. Some of the recent articles on this theme, not already mentioned, are found in the following: Leisure Hour for September, by Sir E. Maunde Thompson; McClure's for October, by Mr. Grenfell (giving the story of the find); Contemporary for September, by Dr. M. R. James. The sale of the Logia in England alone reached 12,000 copies within three weeks after its appearance. We regret that an equal sale cannot be reported for the United States.

The Græco-Roman Branch of the Egypt Exploration Fund, under whose auspices the *Logia* was published, is rapidly receiving generous aid for further research. To the sale of *Logia*, yielding about \$1500, many leading spirits of England, such as the Marquis of Salisbury and the Duke of Argyll, are adding their support.

Dr. John P. Peters' *Nippur* is appreciatively reviewed on a full page in the *Academy* of September 11.

THE Religious Tract Society of London has just published The Growth of the Kingdom of God, by S. L. Gulick; Sundays Round the World, by F. Hastings; Masters of Tomorrow, by W. J. Lacey; Elisha the Man of Abel-Meholah, by Mrs. O. F. Walton; The House we Live in, by W. J. Gordon; The Rise and Spread of Christianity, by W. H. Summons.

Wanted: "A Philanthropist for Research," is the title, in the Academy of September 18, of a vigorous arraignment of the English government for its total lack of interest in the few scholars who are devoting their time and strength to oriental research. It is compromisingly compared with the great powers of Europe whose interest in oriental studies and science are manifested by special provisions through endowments and designated funds. It calls for the appearance of some philanthropist who will endow or otherwise provide for the advancement of one of the most promising branches of knowledge.

The Society of Friends in England has established a summer school of theology. The first session was held last August 4–18, and had an attendance of 700. This society has established a system of adult schools on Sunday mornings all over the kingdom, which reaches at the present time not less than 40,000 persons. A few well-known biblical scholars lent their influence to this enterprise. Among them we note Dr. J. Rendel Harris, of Cambridge; Dr. T. Hodgkin and Mr. Grenfell, of Oxford; Drs. R. F. Horton and George Adam Smith, Professors R. G. Moulton, of Chicago, and R. W. Rogers, of Madison, N. J.

MR. WILLIAM REYNOLDS, of International Sunday School fame, died in Louisville, Ky., September 28. The *Sunday School Times* of October 9 contains an appreciative memorial article by Mr. M. D. Byers, of Chicago.

French diplomats are always wide awake to the interests of science and learning, and seek to promote them in every legitimate way. The latest public step taken is the securing of an exclusive permit to excavate in Persia during the next ten years. We may expect startling discoveries in this country at the hands of so accomplished an archæologist as M. de Morgan.

M. DE MORGAN, who has done such valuable service for several years as Director General of Antiquities of the Egyptian Government, has resigned his appointment. He has shown by his skill as an excavator that he is fully qualified to undertake the great work of excavating in Persia which is now placed in his hands by the French government.

MRS. MARIE N. BUCKMAN, who has devoted years to the study of Egyptology, and who is now the American secretary of the Egypt Exploration Fund, will henceforth be publisher of *Biblia*, with Boston as its place of issuance. Dr. Davis, however, will still hold the position of editor.

DR. E. A. Wallis Budge, of the British Museum, is the editor of the valuable Coptic text of the Psalter which was discovered some two years ago in Upper Egypt. Some Egyptian peasants found this MS. in a stone box which was discovered in the ruins of an old monastery. Apparently it had been prepared for, and was used in, the monastery, but had been hidden in this chest at some time of danger. Dr. Budge has carefully transcribed the MS., and we now have the text printed

with the original. A most valuable find for the study of the early Coptic scriptures, and of some textual importance for the Psalter.

"The Devotional Study of the Bible" is the title of a series of three articles now appearing in the *Standard* of Chicago. The first, on "Its Benefits," is by Rev. W. H. Geistweit, of Galesburg, Ill.; the the second, on "Practical Methods of Securing Time for the Devotional Study of the Bible," is by Rev. F. L. Anderson, of Rochester, N. Y.; the third, on "How to Study the Bible Devotionally," is by Professor Ira M. Price, of the University of Chicago.

DR. Westcott, Bishop of Durham, has been sadly crippled in health within the past year, and has contemplated resigning his bishop-ric. But on advice he will take a long vacation as a means of ascertaining whether his strength will longer endure the requirements of his office.

PROFESSOR R. G. MOULTON expects, at some later date, to issue the New Testament in the "Modern Reader's Bible" series, so grouped as to present a continuous history of the New Testament church.

THE Egypt Exploration Fund has decided that its volume for 1895-6 shall be Professor Petrie's *Deshasheh*, illustrated with photogravures and other plates. Naville's Part III of *Deir-el-Bahari*, now nearly ready for the press, will be the subscribers' volume for 1896-7.

REV. R. H. CHARLES, who has done such energetic and continuous work on the Apocrypha within the past few years, has been appointed first Jowett lecturer at the Passmore Edwards Settlement in St. Pancras, London, which was founded by the generosity of Mrs. Humphrey Ward. The theme on which he proposes to speak some time next spring is "The History of Jewish Religious Thought during the two Hundred Years before Christ."

PROFESSOR RUDOLPH E. BRÜNNOW has returned to Europe from a successful trip in the East. He came back laden with rich archæological and linguistic treasures. In addition to copies of many smaller inscriptions he made and brought with him a new and very accurate drawing of the great Nabatæan inscription at Petra. Professor Nöldeke has transliterated this into Hebrew characters, and published it, with a brief commentary, in the *Zeitschrift für Assyriologie*, Vol. XII, No. 1, pp. 1–8.